



Chesterfield County Public Schools
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Frequently Asked Questions About Spot Redistricting

What is the goal of spot redistricting?

With the opening of two replacement schools in the next 12 months, the opportunity to balance student enrollment at nearby schools exists. Such a rebalancing likely would yield more efficient operations – shorter bus routes in many cases and more effective use of instructional space, including a proposed reduction in the number of classroom trailers used.

When will the proposed changes go into effect?

Changes will go into effect with the start of the 2018-19 school year, with the exception of Elizabeth Scott Elementary students who will move to Enon Elementary. Since Enon Elementary will open mid-year, Scott Elementary students rezoned to Enon Elementary will not be required to move until the start of the 2019-20 school year.

Will the school division consider a grandfather clause that will allow students to remain in their current schools?

Students who will be fifth-graders during the 2018-19 school year are eligible for a waiver; however, the school division will not provide transportation. The family must agree to provide transportation. Siblings of these students will not receive a waiver.

It appears some neighborhoods might actually move to a school that is farther away from the school the neighborhood is currently zoned to attend. Why?

This may be true in a limited number of cases. Our schools are not evenly spread out throughout the county. Some areas are more densely populated than others, creating an uneven geographical distribution. Combined with school capacity issues, this means that some children may not attend the school closest to their home.

Will my school be overcrowded based on the zoning changes?

This project is designed to balance enrollments between school capacities, so it is our hope that overcrowding will be minimal.

Can we visit our new school before the 2018-19 school year starts?

Absolutely! Simply contact the school and set up an appointment to visit. Visit <http://mychesterfieldschools.com/schools/elementary/> to find contact information.

Will this change my child's placement in a specialty center program (gifted or special education)?

It should not. Gifted centers and special education programs are not changing at this time.